

Application No.: 10/712589

Case No.: 59391US002

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 11-16, 19-22, 24-26 and 28 are canceled herein. Claims 3, 9, 10, 23, and 27 are amended herein so as to be in independent form. Claims 3, 9, 10, 17, 18, 23, and 27 are previously acknowledged as containing allowable subject matter.

Examination and consideration of the application as amended is requested and allowance of claims 3, 9, 10, 17, 18, 23, and 27, as amended, at an early date is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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